

Remarks

Applicant notes with thanks the allowance of claims 45 and 51-53.

Applicant has amended claims 54 and 55 to be in independent form including all limitations of their base claims and any intervening claims. Applicant and Examiner mutually agreed upon new language that would further clarify the claim language in claims 54 and 55 consisting of “one of a mower and trimmer configuration”. Examiner specified that such clarification resolved the objections within the current Action.

Applicant respectfully submits that the amended language in claims 54 and 55 provides sufficient clarification to satisfy the Examiner’s objection. The modified claim language further clarifies that alternative configurations (e.g., a mower configuration and a trimmer configuration) are possible that can be selected, but wherein each configuration is selected exclusive of the other such that both configurations are not possible to be used simultaneously. Applicant believes these claims now to be in condition for allowance and respectfully requests such action.

Additionally, as requested by the Examiner, now independent claim 55 has been further amended to include the star-shaped wheel receptacles of the first and second opposed wheel receptacles and third, fourth, and fifth wheel receptacles. Such language was incorporated to provide consistency with previous dependent claim 55.

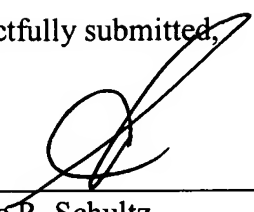
Claims 39-44 and 46-50 have been cancelled.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and requests such action.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment of fees due with this amendment and response, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2225.

Respectfully submitted,

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